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Restrictions Lifted on Flu Vaccine---First Confirmed Flu Case Identified in City

**Health officials urging everyone to get flu vaccine before disease
becomes widespread**

The City of Milwaukee Health Department (MHD) was recently informed that the WI Department of Health and Family Services has rescinded the Emergency Order of influenza vaccine to be administered only to high-risk priority groups. Due to an adequate supply of flu vaccine in the Milwaukee area the rescission will now allow all individuals 6 months of age or older to get the influenza vaccine.

"I applaud the efforts of the state of Wisconsin in managing the supply of influenza vaccine, said Health Commissioner Bevan K. Baker, CHE. "There is still time for Milwaukee residents to receive the benefits of the influenza vaccination."

Influenza vaccine will be made available through the MHD scheduled walk-in clinics at two locations:

Southside Health Center 1639 South 23rd Street Thursdays 1:00- 4:00 p.m. Mondays 3:00- 6:00 p.m. Tuesdays 8:00- 11:00 a.m.	Northwest Health Center 7630 West Mill Road Thursdays 3:00- 6:00 p.m. Tuesdays 1:00- 4:00 p.m.
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For more information about influenza vaccine availability please contact the Flu Hotline at 414-286-3616. General information about influenza and vaccination clinics is also available at <http://www.milwaukee.gov/health> , click on the link for Influenza.

The MHD may cancel some clinics if vaccine supplies are depleted as a result of client volume. Furthermore, once vaccine supplies are depleted, there will be no additional vaccine available this season. Influenza kills 36,000 people and results in 220,000 hospitalizations annually in the United States. Protect yourself, family and friends by getting a flu shot.